

PREVIOUS ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LISTS

(** denotes the Winner, * denotes an Honor Book)

2015-2016 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Ashburn, Boni	THE FORT THAT JACK BUILT	Illus. by Brett Helquist
**Daywalt, Drew	THE DAY THE CRAYONS QUIT	Illus. by Oliver Jeffers
Greene, Rhonda	NO PIRATES ALLOWED! SAID LIBRARY LOU	Illus. by Brian Ajhar
Johnson, Angela	LOTTIE PARIS AND THE BEST PLACE	Illus. by Scott M. Fischer
Kasza, Keiko	MY LUCKY BIRTHDAY	
Long, Loren	OTIS AND THE PUPPY	
Pinborough, Jan	MISS MOORE THOUGHT OTHERWISE: HOW ANNE CARROLL MOORE CREATED LIBRARIES FOR CHILDREN	Illus. by Debby Atwell
Polacco, Patricia	THE BLESSING CUP	
Say, Allen	THE FAVORITE DAUGHTER	
Tavares, Matt	BECOMING BABE RUTH	
*Tobin, Jim	THE VERY INAPPROPRIATE WORD	Illus. by Dave Coverly

2014-2015 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Barnett, Mac	EXTRA YARN	Illus. by Jon Klassen
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Buzzeo, Toni	ONE COOL FRIEND	Illus. by David Small
Crow, Chris	JUST AS GOOD: HOW LARRY DOBY CHANGED AMERICA'S GAME	Illus. by Mike Benny
Harley, Bill.	LOST AND FOUND	Illus. by Adam Gustavson
Hopkinson, Deborah	A BOY CALLED DICKENS	Illus. by John Hendrix
*Klassen, Jon	THIS IS NOT MY HAT	
Lyons, Kelly Starling	TEA CAKES FOR TOSH	Illus. by E. B. Lewis
Polacco, Patricia	THE ART OF MISS CHEW	
Rappaport, Doreen	HELEN'S BIG WORLD: THE LIFE OF HELEN KELLER	Illus. by Matt Tavares
**Shannon, David	JANGLES: A BIG FISH STORY	
Tavares, Matt	THERE GOES TED WILLIAMS: THE GREATEST HITTER WHO EVER LIVED	
Willems, Mo	GOLDBLOCKS AND THE THREE DINOSAURS	
Woodson, Jacqueline	EACH KINDNESS	Illus. by E. B. Lewis

2013-2014 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Casanova, Mary	THE DAY DIRK YELLER CAME TO TOWN	Illus. by Ard Hoyt
**Crosby, Jeff	WIENER WOLF	
Dockray, Tracy	THE LOST AND FOUND PONY	
Hyatt, Patricia R.	THE QUITE CONTRARY MAN: A TRUE AMERICAN TALE	Illus. by Kathryn Brown
McPhail, David	WADDLES	

Munro, Roxie	HATCH!	
Polacco, Patricia	BUN BUN BUTTON	
Ramsey, Calvin A.	BELLE, THE LAST MULE AT GEE'S BEND	Illus. by John Holyfield
Rocco, John	BLACKOUT	
Rubel, David	THE CARPENTER'S GIFT: A CHRISTMAS TALE ABOUT THE ROCKEFELLER CENTER TREE	Illus. by Jim LaMarche
Sneve, Virginia Driving Hawk	THE CHRISTMAS COAT: MEMORIES OF MY SIOUX CHILDHOOD	Illus. by Ellen Beier
*Stevens, Janet and Susan Stevens Crummel	THE LITTLE RED PEN	Illus. by Janet Stevens
Sweet, Melissa	BALLOONS OVER BROADWAY: THE TRUE STORY OF THE PUPPETEER OF MACY'S PARADE	

2012-2013 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Bildner, Phil	THE HALLELUJAH FLIGHT	Illus. by John Holyfield
**Birtha, Becky	LUCKY BEANS	Illus. by Nicole Tadgell
Brett, Jan	THE 3 LITTLE DASSIES	
Hill, Laban Carrick	DAVE THE POTTER: ARTIST, POET, SLAVE	Illus. by Bryan Collier
Klise, Kate	STAND STRAIGHT, ELLA KATE	Illus. by M. Sarah Klise
Newman, Mark	POLAR BEARS	
Orloff, Karen K.	I WANNA NEW ROOM	Illus. by David Catrow
Reynolds, Aaron	BACK OF THE BUS	Illus. by Floyd Cooper
Sherman, Pat	BEN AND THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION	Illus. by Floyd Cooper
*Stein, David Ezra	INTERRUPTING CHICKEN	
Watson, Renee	A PLACE WHERE HURRICANES HAPPEN	Illus. by Shadra Strickland

Woodson, Jacqueline PECAN PIE BABY

2011-2012 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Aylesworth, Jim	THE MITTEN	Illus. by Barbara McClintock
DePaola, Tomie	STREGA NONA'S HARVEST	
Emberly, Rebecca and Ed Emberly	CHICKEN LITTLE	
Gralley, Jean	YONDERFEL'S CASTLE: A MEDIEVAL FABLE	
Kajikawa, Kimiko	TSUNAMI!	Illus. by Ed Young
*Long, Loren	OTIS	
Lowry, Lois	CROW CALL	Illus. by Bagram Ibatoulline
Palatini, Margie	LOUSY ROTTEN STICKIN' GRAPES	Illus. by Barry Moser
Rappaport, Doreen	ELEANOR, QUIET NO MORE	Illus. by Gary Kelley
Spinelli, Eileen	SILLY TILLY	Illus. by David Slonim
Urbanovic, Jackie	DUCK AND COVER	
**Van Dusen, Chris	THE CIRCUS SHIP	
Van Leeuwen, Jean	CHICKEN SOUP	Illus. by David Gavril
Williams, Karen Lynn, and Khadra Mohammed	MY NAME IS SANGOEL	Illus. by Catherine Stock

2010-2011 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Bishop, Nic FROGS

Cronin, Doreen	THUMP, QUACK, MOO: A WHACKY ADVENTURE	Illus. by Betsy Lewin
George, Jean Craighead	THE WOLVES ARE BACK	Illus. by Wendell Minor
Henson, Heather	THAT BOOK WOMAN	Illus. by David Small
Hesse, Karen	SPUDS	Illus. by Wendy Watson
Hopkinson, Deborah	ABE LINCOLN CROSSES A CREEK: A TALL THIN TALE	Illus. by John Hendrix
Jenkins, Steve, and Robin Page	HOW MANY WAYS CAN YOU CATCH A FLY?	Illus. by Steve Jenkins
**Larson, Kirby, and Mary Nethery	TWO BOBBIES: A TRUE STORY OF HURRICANE KATRINA, FRIENDSHIP, AND SURVIVAL	Illus. by Jean Cassels
Pedersen, Janet	HOUDINI: THE AMAZING CATERPILLAR	
Sayre, April Pulley	TROUT ARE MADE OF TREES	Illus. by Kate Endle
*Stevens, Janet, and Susan Stevens Crummel	HELP ME, MR. MUTT!: EXPERT ANSWERS FOR DOGS WITH PEOPLE PROBLEMS	Illus. by Janet Stevens
Urbanovic, Jackie	DUCK SOUP	

2009-2010 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Brett, Jan	THE THREE SNOW BEARS	
**Cronin, Doreen	DIARY OF A FLY	Illus. by Harry Bliss
Egan, Tim	THE PINK REFRIGERATOR	
Harrington, Janice N.	THE CHICKEN-CHASING QUEEN OF LAMAR COUNTY	Illus. by Shelley Jackson
Levine, Ellen	HENRY'S FREEDOM BOX	Illus. by Kadir Nelson

McNamara, Margaret	HOW MANY SEEDS IN A PUMPKIN?	Illus. by G. Brian Karas
Noble, Trinka Hakes	THE ORANGE SHOES	Illus. by Doris Ettliger
*Rankin, Laura	RUTHIE AND THE (NOT SO) TEENY TINY LIE	
Schwartz, David M. and Yael Schy	WHERE IN THE WILD?: CAMOUFLAGED CREATURES CONCEALED... AND REVEALED	Illus. by Dwight Kuhn
Tinkham, Kelly A.	HAIR FOR MAMA	Illus. by Amy June Bates
Van Leeuwen, Jean	PAPA AND THE PIONEER QUILT	Illus. by Rebecca Bond

2008-2009 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Barretta, Gene	NOW & BEN: THE MODERN INVENTIONS OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN	
**Beaumont, Karen	MOVE OVER, ROVER!	Illus. by Jane Dyer
Bunting, Eve	MY MOM'S WEDDING	Illus. by Lisa Papp
Bunting, Eve	POP'S BRIDGE	Illus. by C. F. Payne
DeFelice, Cynthia	ONE POTATO, TWO POTATO	Illus. by Andrea U'Ren
Henkes, Kevin	LILLY'S BIG DAY	
Hopkinson, Deborah	SKY BOYS: HOW THEY BUILT THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING	Illus. by James E. Ransome
*Knudsen, Michelle	LIBRARY LION	Illus. by Kevin Hawkes
McCully, Emily Arnold	MARVELOUS MATTIE: HOW MARGARET E. KNIGHT BECAME AN INVENTOR	
Moser, Lisa	WATERMELON WISHES	Illus. by Stacey Schuett
Raven, Margot Theis	NIGHT BOAT TO FREEDOM	Illus. by E. B. Lewis
Taylor, Gaylia	GEORGE CRUM AND THE SARATOGA CHIP	Illus. by Frank Morrison
Tingle, Tim	CROSSING BOK CHITTO: A CHOCTAW TALE	Illus. by Jeanne Rorox

OF FRIENDSHIP AND FREEDOM

Bridges

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BROTHERS

Illus. by Chris K. Soentpiet

2007-2008 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Birtha, Becky

GRANDMAMA'S PRIDE

Illus. by Colin Bootman

Clements, Andrew

BECAUSE YOUR DADDY LOVES YOU

Illus. by R. W. Alley

**Crimi, Carolyn

HENRY & THE BUCCANEER BUNNIES

Illus. by John Manders

Cronin, Doreen

DIARY OF A SPIDER

Illus. by Harry Bliss

Hopkinson, Deborah

SAVING STRAWBERRY FARM

Illus. by Rachel Isadora

Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie

NORA'S ARK

Illus. by Emily Arnold McCully

Pattison, Darcy

SEARCHING FOR OLIVER K. WOODMAN

Illus. by Joe Cepeda

Stroud, Bettye

THE PATCHWORK PATH: A QUILT MAP
TO FREEDOM

Illus. Erin Susanne
Bennett

*Tavares, Matt

MUDBALL

Uhlberg, Myron

DAD, JACKIE AND ME

Illus. by Colin Bootman

2006-2007 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

**Bateman, Teresa

APRIL FOOLISHNESS

Illus. by Nadine Bernard
Westcott

Cannon, Janell

PINDULI

Cooper, Floyd

JUMP!: FROM THE LIFE OF MICHAEL JORDAN

Cronin, Doreen

DUCK FOR PRESIDENT

Illus. by Betsy Lewin

Gorbachev, Valeri	THE BIG TRIP	
Haseley, Dennis	PHOTOGRAPHER MOLE	Illus. by Juli Kangas
Hopkinson, Deborah	APPLES TO OREGON	Illus. by Nancy Carpenter
Hopkinson, Deborah	A PACKET OF SEEDS	Illus. by Bethanne Andersen
*Orloff, Karen Kaufman	I WANNA IGUANA	Illus. by David Catrow
Paterson, John, and Katherine Paterson	BLUEBERRIES FOR THE QUEEN	Illus. by Susan Jeffers
Polacco, Patricia	JOHN PHILIP DUCK	
Salley, Coleen	WHY EPOSSUMONDAS HAS NO HAIR ON HIS TAIL	Illus. by Janet Stevens
Turner, Pamela S.	HACHIKO: THE TRUE STORY OF A LOYAL DOG	Illus. by Yan Nascimbene

2005-2006 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Appelt, Kathi	THE BEST KIND OF GIFT	Illus. by Paul Brett Johnson
Bloom, Suzanne	NO PLACE FOR A PIG	
Catalano, Dominic	MR. BASSET PLAYS	
Cronin, Doreen	DIARY OF A WORM	Illus. by Harry Bliss
*Duffield, Katy S.	FARMER McPEEPERS AND HIS MISSING MILKING COWS	Illus. by Steve Gray
Fleming, Candace	BOXES FOR KATJE	Illus. by Stacey Dressen- McQueen
Goble, Paul	MYSTIC HORSE	
Numeroff, Laura, and Nate Evans	SHERMAN CRUNCHLEY	Illus. by Tim Bowers

Pattison, Darcy	THE JOURNEY OF OLIVER K. WOODMAN	Illus. by Joe Cepeda
Pulver, Robin	PUNCTUATION TAKES A VACATION	Illus. by Lynn Rowe Reed
Wheeler, Lisa	OLD CRICKET	Illus. by Ponder Goembel
**Wilcox, Leah	FALLING FOR RAPUNZEL	

2004-2005 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Auch, Mary Jane and Herm Auch	THE PRINCESS AND THE PIZZA	
Best, Cari	GOOSE'S STORY	
Brett, Jan	DAISY COMES HOME	
Brimner, Larry Dane	THE LITTLEST WOLF	Illus. by Jose and Ariane Dewey
Fraser, Mary Ann	I.Q. GOES TO SCHOOL	
McPhail, David	THE TEDDY BEAR	
Pearson, Tracey Campbell	BOB	
**Salley, Coleen	EPOSSUMONDAS	Illus. by Janet Stevens
Spinelli, Eileen	WANDA'S MONSTER	Illus. by Nancy Hayashi
Teague, Mark	DEAR MRS. LARUE: LETTERS FROM OBEDIENCE SCHOOL	
*Wheeler, Lisa	SIXTEEN COWS	Illus. by Kurt Cyrus

2003-2004 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Catalanotto, Peter	EMILY'S ART	
Choi, Yangsook	THE NAME JAR	
Creech, Sharon	A FINE, FINE SCHOOL	Illus. by Harry Bliss
Hoffman, Elizabeth S.	MISS RENEE'S MICE	Illus. by Dawn Peterson
Kasza, Keiko	THE MIGHTIEST	
*Lovell, Patty	STAND TALL, MOLLY LOU MELON	Illus. by David Catrow
McKissack, Patricia C.	GOIN' SOMEPLACE SPECIAL	Illus. by Jerry Pinkney
Simont, Marc	THE STRAY DOG	
**Smith, Maggie	DESSER THE BEST EVER CAT	
Spinelli, Eileen	SOPHIE'S MASTERPIECE: SPIDER'S TALE	Illus. by Jane Dyer

2002-2003 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Allen, Debbie	DANCING IN THE WINGS	Illus. by Kadir A. Nelson
Andreasen, Dan	ROSE RED AND THE BEAR PRINCE	
Bahr, Mary	IF NATHAN WERE HERE	Illus. by Karen A. Jerome
Brett, Jan	HEDGIE'S SURPRISE	
Bunting, Eve	THE MEMORY STRING	Illus. by Ted Rand
Cronin, Doreen	CLICK, CLACK, MOO: COWS THAT TYPE	Illus. by Betsy Lewin
Danneberg, Julie	FIRST DAY JITTERS	Illus. by Judy Love
Disalvo-Ryan, DyAnne	GRANDPA'S CORNER STORE	
Helldorfer, M. C.	HOG MUSIC	Illus. by S. D. Schindler
**Jordan, Deloris	SALT IN HIS SHOES: MICHAEL JORDAN IN PURSUIT OF A DREAM	Illus. by Kadir A. Nelson
Older, Effin	MY TWO GRANDMOTHERS	Illus. by Nancy Hayashi

Carlson, Nancy L.	IT'S GOING TO BE PERFECT	
Cullen, Lynn	THE MIGHTIEST HEART	Illus. by Laurel Long
Edwards, Pamela D.	HONK! : THE STORY OF A PRIMA SWANERINA	Illus. by Henry Cole
*Gorbachev, Valeri	NICKY AND THE BIG, BAD WOLVES	
Hickox, Rebecca	THE GOLDEN SANDAL: A MIDDLE EASTERN CINDERELLA STORY	Illus. by Will Hillenbrand
Hines, Gary	A CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE WHITE HOUSE	Illus. by Alexandra Wallner
Millman, Isaac	MOSES GOES TO A CONCERT	
Peck, Jan	THE GIANT CARROT	Illus. by Barry Root
**Rand, Gloria	A HOME FOR SPOOKY	Illus. by Ted Rand
Root, Phyllis	AUNT NANCY AND COUSIN LAZYBONES	Illus. by David Parkins
Wells, Rosemary	YOKO	
Wyeth, Sharon D.	SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL	Illus. by Chris K. Soentpiet

1999-2000 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Aller, Susan	EMMA AND THE NIGHT DOGS	Illus. by Marni Backer
Brett, Jan	THE HAT	
Buckley, Helen	MOONLIGHT KITE	Illus. by Elise Primavera
Glaser, Linda	BORROWED HANUKKAH LATKES	Illus. by Nancy Cote
Hodges, Margaret	TRUE TALE OF JOHNNY APPLESEED	Illus. by Kimberly Root
**Kellogg, Steven	THE THREE LITTLE PIGS	
McDonald, Megan	TUNDRA MOUSE	Illus. by S. D. Schindler
Melmed, Laura Krauss	LITTLE OH	Illus. by Jim LaMarche

Milich, Melissa	MIZ FANNIE MAE'S FINE NEW HAT	Illus. by Yong Chen
*Numeroff, Laura	THE CHICKEN SISTERS	Illus. by Sharleen Collicott
Schroeder, Alan	SMOKY MOUNTAIN ROSE: AN APPLALACHIAN CINDERELLA	Illus. by Brad Sneed
Stanley, Diane	RUMPELSTILTSKIN'S DAUGHTER	
Stewart, Sarah	THE GARDENER	Illus. by David Small
Tunnell, Michael	MAILING MAY	Illus. by Ted Rand
Zelinsky, Paul O.	RAPUNZEL	

1998-1999 ARKANSAS DIAMOND READING LIST

Bunting, Eve	SECRET PLACE	Illus. by Ted Rand
Bunting, Eve	TRAIN TO SOMEWHERE	Illus. by Ronald Himler
Cannon, Annie	THE BAT IN THE BOOT	
Clements, Andrew	TEMPLE CAT	Illus. by Kate Kiesler
**DeGroat, Diane	ROSES ARE PINK, YOUR FEET REALLY STINK	
Edwards, Pamela D.	LIVINGSTONE MOUSE	Illus. by Henry Cole
Franklin, Kristine L.	THE WOLFHOUND	Illus. by Kris Waldherr
Friedrich, Elizabeth	LEAH'S PONY	Illus. by Michael Garland
Gibbons, Faye	MOUNTAIN WEDDING	Illus. by Ted Rand
Henkes, Kevin	LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE	
*Johnson, Paul Brett and Celeste Lewis	LOST	Illus. by Paul Brett Johnson
Lasky, Kathryn	LUNCH BUNNIES	Illus. by Marilyn Hafner
Levitin, Sonia	NINE FOR CALIFORNIA	Illus. by Cat Bowman Smith

Pryor, Bonnie	THE DREAM JAR	Illus. by Mark Graham
Ransom, Candice	ONE CHRISTMAS DAWN	Illus. by Peter Fiore
Richardson, Judith	OLD WINTER	Illus. by R.W. Alley
Spurr, Elizabeth	THE LONG, LONG LETTER	Illus. by David Catrow
Tamar, Erika	THE GARDEN OF HAPPINESS	Illus. by Barbara Lambase
White, Linda	TOO MANY PUMPKINS	Illus. by Megan Lloyd